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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

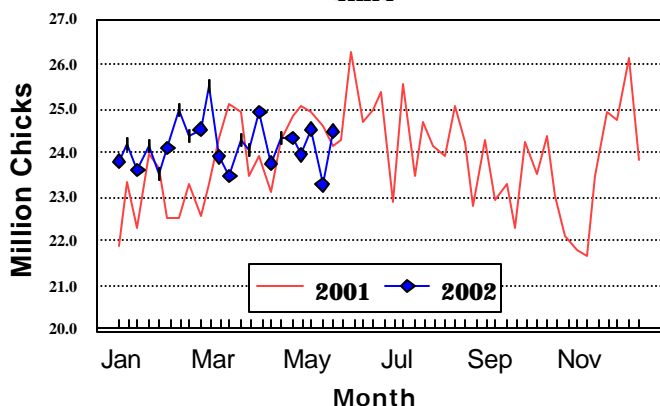
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 24.5 million during the week ending June 1, 2002. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 2001, and up 5 percent from the previous week, and included 2.7 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through June 1, 2002 were 532.4 million, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 25.3 million, up 1 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and up 4 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.0 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.2 percent.

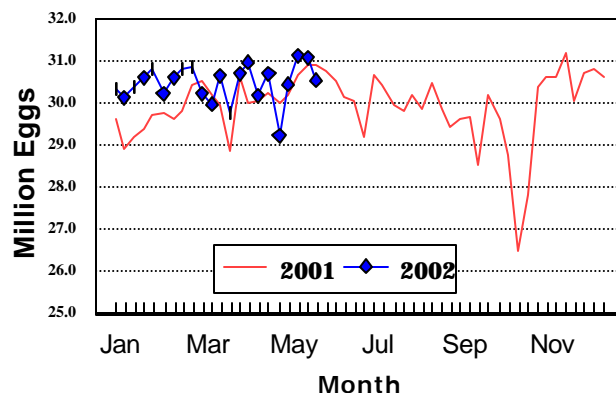
Arkansas hatcheries set 30.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 1, 2002, down 1 percent from the same period last year, and down 2 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2001	2002	%	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change
	1,000			1,000			1,000		
Apr. 27	24,291	24,331	100	25,267	25,454	101	30,253	30,698	101
May 4	24,824	24,356	98	24,919	25,694	103	30,017	29,253	97
May 11	25,067	23,986	96	25,054	25,216	101	30,173	30,436	101
May 18	24,954	24,545	98	25,092	25,713	102	30,645	31,108	102
May 25	24,590	23,262	95	24,893	24,415	98	30,896	31,069	101
June 1	24,144	24,514	102	25,100	25,320	101	30,900	30,531	99

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2001 - 2002



EGGS SET, 2001 - 2002



BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002

STATE	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						1/ %
	11-May	18-May	25-May	01-Jun		27-Apr	04-May	11-May	18-May	25-May	01-Jun	
Alabama	29,328 *	30,140	29,963	29,510	99	22,014	22,398	22,425	22,408	22,923	22,280	104
ARKANSAS	30,436	31,108	31,069 *	30,531	99	24,331	24,356	23,986	24,545	23,262 *	24,514	102
Delaware	3,625	3,736	3,741	3,666	103	5,072	5,287	6,096	4,473	5,577 *	5,847	105
Florida	2,418	2,403	2,383	2,362	97	2,428	2,377	2,160	2,302	2,307	2,349	95
Georgia	32,923 *	32,823	32,644 *	32,689	101	26,690 *	26,204	26,533	25,853 *	25,272 *	26,821	100
Kentucky	6,539	6,698	7,001	6,930	106	5,628	5,513	5,493	5,326	5,810	5,367	102
Maryland	10,054	10,053	10,030	10,052	104	6,225	6,176	5,399	6,407	6,018 *	5,368	87
Mississippi	19,115	19,212	19,161	19,280	101	16,111	16,013	15,569	15,169	16,034	15,554	98
N. Carolina	19,238 *	19,865	19,419	19,859	105	15,260	15,213	15,708	15,565	15,370 *	15,453	101
Oklahoma	6,063	6,745	6,769	6,687	108	5,489	3,444	5,395	4,500	5,210	4,815	104
Pennsylvania	3,480	3,871	3,990 *	3,970	106	2,856	2,734	2,720	2,702	2,699 *	2,496	92
S. Carolina	4,785	4,805	4,836 *	4,871	98	3,865	3,828	3,766	3,800	4,104 *	3,636	100
Texas	15,513	15,393	15,281	15,332	104	12,330	12,188	12,167	12,202	12,275	12,290	101
Virginia	6,450	6,561	6,588	6,467	95	5,249	5,186	5,211	5,585	5,378 *	5,963	116
CA,LA,MO,TN,WV	20,955 *	20,808 *	20,906 *	20,745	102	18,928	21,917 *	18,713 *	20,475 *	19,466 *	20,032	99
Total 2002	210,922 *	214,221 *	213,781 *	212,951		172,476 *	172,834 *	171,341 *	171,312 *	171,705 *	172,785	
Total 2001	210,727	210,697	211,382	210,296		170,301	169,232	169,409	168,987	168,596	171,364	
% PREV. YEAR	100	102	101	101		101	102	101	101	102	101	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2002.....						15-Jun	22-Jun	29-Jun	06-Jul	13-Jul	20-Jul	

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 213 million eggs during the week ending June 1, 2002. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 1, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through June 1, 2002 were 3.74 billion.

The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.